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For: NON-RECIPROCAL CIRCUIT MODULE	)	
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It is respectfully requested that the USPTO acknowledge receipt of the priority documents for this patent application and provide a corrected Notice of Allowability, or advise applicant if certified copies of the priority documents must be filed to perfect the claim for priority in this national phase application.

Respectfully submitted,

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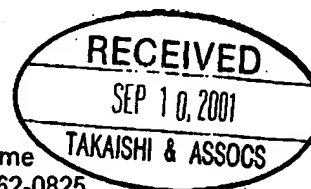
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